Kansas Receives Disaster Designation
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Producers in All Kansas Counties Now Eligible for Low-Interest Loans, Tax Deferment

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Congressman Jerry Moran today announced that the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) has approved the disaster applications for 81 additional counties across Kansas, bringing the entire state into disaster status. This disaster designation follows Moran's recent request of the USDA to approve these disaster applications.

" As I travel across Kansas during my 69 county tour, I see and hear the hardship that drought has brought to our producers and communities, " Moran said. " This disaster designation will provide our producers with additional options for their operations. "

This designation will allow producers who were forced to sell off all or part of their livestock due to weather-related disasters the option of deferring the taxes from the sales until next year. In addition to the tax deferment, the designation would also make producers eligible for low interest operating loans.

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